(e) The Societies have to get the build ing plans approved before taking up cons truction. During construction Form 'C' and form 'D' relating to the approval of sani tary system have to be further approved by the Building Department of D.D.A. Therefore, Society has to apply to concern ed Executive Engineer for sewerage con nections along with the following:

(i) copies of Form 'C and Form D';

(ii) an undertaking by the Society that the work will be carried out as per the approval of D.D.A.; and

(iii) deposit a security of Rs. 5,000/- (refundable after the satisfactory comple-tion of the work).

(iv) payment of road restoration charges, if any.

(f) The sewer connection permission can be given by the D.D.A, as and when the Society makes an application in the pres cribed manner.

**Water Supply in DK Area**

1717. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) wnether it is a fact that water sup plied by the NDMC in Block Nos. 68 to 69 in Section-4 of DIZ Areas is salty;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the residents of this area have to fetch drink ing water from the taps installed in far away parks; and

(c) if so, whether CPWD would provide some taps from the NDMC supply line in the parks near the above blocks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The water supply by the NDMC is not salty. However, since the water supply by the NDMC is not sufficient to meet the requirement of the residents of the area, the same is supplemented by the CPWD with water from 3 tubewells. The water drawn from one of the tubewells is slightly salty. However the qua-lity of the mixed water which is being supplied has been tested and found to be fit for drinking purpose.

(b) At times, to meet the additional requirement of water, the residents have to fetch water from public hydrants provided by the NDMC in the four-storeyed bIocks nearby.

(c) No request has been received by the CPWD from the allottees for providing public hydrants in blocks 68-69.

**Housing and Water Supply Agencies in the country**

1718. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any Government or Government sponsored agencies to look after the problems of drinking water and housing in various towns and cities of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOP MENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM)
(a) and (b) At the State Governmen level schemes for providing drinkin; water and housing in various towns ani cities are being implemented by the urbai local bodies. Public Health Engineerin Department, Statutory Boards and Stat Public agencies set up for this purpose At the national level institutional financ is provided by Housing and Urban Devs lopment Corporation, National Housin Bank, Life Insurance Corporation, Gem ral Insurance Corporation and Unit Tdu of India.

**Promotion of Tindharia Railway Workshop, Darjeeling**

1719. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR *KA* Will the Minister of RAILWAYS pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have receiv representations regarding the extensi and rejuvenation of Tindharia Railw Workshop in Dalrjeeling for promoti of Darjeeling Himalayan Rail; and